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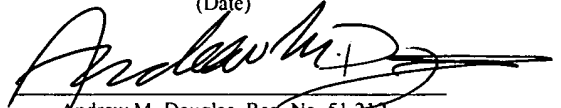
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Dear Sir:

Please consider the following remarks and the amendments made to the above-captioned application in response to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2006.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper. A "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in the Appendix.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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